

**MEME15203 Statistical Inference****Assignment 1****UNIVERSITI TUNKU ABDUL RAHMAN**

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Q1. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be a random sample of size  $n = 2$  from a continuous distribution with pdf of the form  $f(x) = 5x^4$  if  $0 < x < 1$  and zero otherwise.

- (a) Find the joint pdf of  $Y_1 = \min(X_1, X_2)$  and  $Y_2 = \max(X_1, X_2)$ .  
 (b) Find the pdf of the sample range  $R = Y_2 - Y_1$ .

(10 marks)

Q2. Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be independent random variables with  $X_1 \sim GAM(\alpha_1 = a, \theta = 2)$  and  $X_2 \sim GAM(\alpha_2 = b, \theta = 2)$ , show that  $U = \frac{X_1}{X_1 + X_2}$  follow a Beta distribution. Suppose  $Y_i \sim GAM(\alpha = 10, \theta = 2)$ , using the result above, find the distribution of  $V = \frac{Y_1}{\sum_{i=1}^{16} Y_i}$ .

(10 marks)

Q3. The waiting time  $X$  until delivery of a new component for an industrial operation is uniformly distributed over the interval from 1 to 9 days. The cost of this delay is given by  $U = 5X^2 + 8$ . Find the probability density function for  $U$  using distribution method.

(10 marks)

Q4. In each of the following, random variable  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent. Use moment generating function method to find the probability density functions (pdfs) for  $V = X + Y$ .

(a)  $f(x) = \binom{15}{x} 0.8^x 0.2^{15-x}, x = 0, 1, \dots, 15$   
 $f(y) = \binom{13}{y} 0.8^y 0.2^{13-y}, y = 0, 1, \dots, 13$

(b)  $X \sim POI(\lambda = 1.6)$   
 $Y \sim POI(\lambda = 2.7)$

(c)  $X \sim N(\mu = 15, \sigma^2 = 5^2)$   
 $Y \sim N(\mu = 6, \sigma^2 = 7^2)$

(d)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(3)6^3} x^2 e^{-\frac{x}{6}}, x > 0$   
 $f(y) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(3)6^3} y^2 e^{-\frac{y}{6}}, y > 0$

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(12 marks)

- Q5. Let  $Y_n$  denote the maximum of a random sample of size  $n$  from a distribution of the continuous type that has cdf  $F(x)$  and pdf  $f(x) = F'(x)$ . Find the limiting distribution of  $W_n = n[1 - F(Y_n)]$ .

(10 marks)

- Q6. Consider a random sample from a Exponential distribution,  $X_i \sim \text{Exp}(\theta)$ . Find the asymptotic normal distribution of  $Y_n = [\ln(\bar{X}_n)]^9$ .

(8 marks)

- Q7. Consider a random sample from a Geometric distribution,  $X_i \sim \text{GEO}(p)$ . Let  $W_i = e^{X_i}$  and  $V_n = W_1 \times W_2 \times \cdots \times W_n$ .  $V_n^{\frac{1}{n}}$  converges in probability to a constant, identify the constant.

(5 marks)

- Q8. Let  $X_2, X_3, X_4, \dots$  be a sequence of random variable such that

$$f_{X_n}(x) = \begin{cases} -n \ln \left(1 - \frac{1}{4n}\right) \left(1 - \frac{1}{4n}\right)^{nx} & x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

Find the limiting distribution of  $X_n$ .

(5 marks)

- Q9. Let  $Y_n \sim \text{GAM}(\alpha n, \theta)$ . Find the limiting distribution of  $Z_n = \frac{Y_n - \alpha n \theta}{\sqrt{\alpha n \theta}}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , using moment generating function.

(10 marks)

- Q10. Suppose that  $X_i \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2), i = 1, \dots, 14$ ,  $Z_j \sim N(0, 1), j = 1, \dots, 9$ , and  $W_k \sim \chi^2(50), k = 1, \dots, 13$  and all random variables are independent. State the distribution of each of the following variables if it is a "named" distribution. [For example  $X_1 + X_2 \sim N(2\mu, 2\sigma^2)$ ]

(a)  $\frac{8 \sum_{i=1}^{14} (X_i - \bar{X})^2}{13\sigma^2 \sum_{j=1}^9 (Z_j - \bar{Z})^2}.$

(b)  $\frac{8 \sum_{k=1}^9 W_k}{450 \sum_{j=1}^9 (Z_j - \bar{Z})^2}$

(c)  $\frac{\sqrt{700}(\bar{X} - \mu)}{\sigma \sqrt{W_1}}$

(d)  $\frac{W_1}{W_1 + W_2 + W_3 + W_4}$

(e)  $\frac{Z_i^2 / W_1}{1 + Z_1^2 / W_1}$

(f)  $\frac{\frac{\sum_{k=1}^9 W_k}{\sum_{j=1}^9 (Z_j - \bar{Z})^2}}{1 + \frac{\sum_{k=1}^9 W_k}{\sum_{j=1}^9 (Z_j - \bar{Z})^2}}$

(20 marks)